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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6514**

**BILL NUMBER:** HB 1047

**DATE PREPARED:** Nov 27, 2001

**BILL AMENDED:**

**SUBJECT:** Nursing Scholarship Program.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:** ☒ **GENERAL**  
☒ **DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** The bill provides that \$10 of each registration fee and each renewal licensing fee collected from registered nurses and licensed practical nurses shall be deposited in the Nursing Scholarship Fund.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 2002.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:**

**Explanation of State Revenues:** Under current law, there is a Nursing Scholarship Fund operated with appropriations from the state General Fund and gifts directed to the Fund. Under the bill, a third source of revenue for the Nursing Scholarship Fund would be \$10 from the licensing fees charged to registered and licensed practical nurses. The registration fee for both types of license was \$30 and the biennial renewal fee for both types of licenses was \$17. The fee for both registration and renewal increased to \$50 in FY 2002. Revenues for nursing licenses were \$624,400 in FY 1999, \$1,474,266 in FY 2000, and \$656,008 in FY 2001.

According to statute, the State Board of Nursing establishes the fees charged for registration and renewal of nursing licenses. The fee revenues received are deposited in the state General Fund, and the expenditures of the State Board of Nursing are appropriated from the General Fund. There are no data to indicate the total expenditures of the Board, however, annual salaries for Health Professions Bureau staff assigned to the State Board of Nursing are approximately \$225,000.

There are over 80,000 licensed registered and practical nurses, and over 4,500 new licenses are issued each year. Assuming that \$10 is given to the Nursing Scholarship Fund from the fee paid, the Nursing Scholarship Fund would receive about \$890,000 per biennium and the state General Fund would receive about \$890,000 less in revenue.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Health Professions Bureau.

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**Information Sources:** Health Professions Bureau, State Staffing Table.